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HONGKONG CLUB.
NOTICE.
THE TWENTY-EIGHTH HALF-YEARLY DRAWING OF SIXTY-FIVE DEBENTURES OF THE HONGKONG CLUB, (1896 issue - \$100.00 each) was held in the Club House on MONDAY, the 20th September, 1915, when the following Debentures were drawn for Redemption:-

3	400	387	1289	1827
83	431	925	1362	1837
137	467	954	1365	1884
138	483	985	1393	1928
175	491	1002	1394	1869
184	506	1006	1398	1887
198	591	1145	1413	1775
285	631	1148	1441	1775
297	637	1172	1444	1788
299	639	1231	1485	1787
310	648	1234	1487	1874
326	681	1237	1489	1915
330	738	1255	1502	1930

and will be Payable at the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation on THURSDAY, the 30th September, 1915, in exchange for surrender of same.
By Order,
E. DES VOUEX,
Secretary.
Hongkong, Sept. 20, 1915. 816

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11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
SIGHT CARS.
8.30 p.m. and 9 p.m. 8.30 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. every half hour.
11.00 p.m. to 11.45 p.m. every quarter of an hour.
NOB DAY.
7.45 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12 Noon Every 15 minutes.
12.00 Noon to 1.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
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It is a Good Advertising Medium.
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Medical Magazine, March, 1912.
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1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
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5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.

SUNDAY.

7.45 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	Every 10 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.15 Noon	Every 15 minutes.
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1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
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NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

SATURDAY.

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THE DIARY.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of (Teakwood and Blackwood Furniture etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Piano, Panharmonium etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Tonkin Island Traps at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

7.30 p.m.—Chinese Science Lecture in City Hall.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, Sept. 25—

8.30 p.m.—Police Recruits Training Concert in Botanical Gardens.

SUNDAY, Sept. 26—

Queen of Norway's Birthday (Princess Maud Charlotte) 1869.

TUESDAY, Sept. 28—

Settlement Day: R.K. Stock Exchange.

11 a.m.—Auction of Furniture, Carpets, Curtains etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 29—

Michaelmas Day.

11 a.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at 1 Torrey Road, near Kimberley Road, Kowloon.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mr and Mrs J. R. Brown and family return sincere thanks for kind expressions of sympathy in their recent bereavement.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, Sept. 23, 1915.

THE BRITISH BUDGET.

THE Rt. Hon. R. McKenna, Chancellor of the Exchequer, has presented his second War Budget, and a glance at the proposals made shows that it is of a very revolutionary character. This, of course, was but to be expected at such a time as the present as it was inevitable that proposals of a much more drastic character than could possibly be contemplated in the "piping times of peace" would be forthcoming. So far as we know the most "daring" of those predictions that never fail to usher in all Budgets has been amply justified. There is, as was foretold, very radical changes with regard to the Income Tax. A forty per cent. increase in the rate per pound is announced and the scope of the tax will hereafter affect incomes of £130 instead of £160, which heretofore has been the exemption limit. A scheme by which payment may be made by instalments is mentioned, doubtless referring to the payers of the smaller incomes. The duty on sugar, tea, tobacco, coffee, and chicory is increased and such imported luxuries as motor cars, films, clocks and musical instruments will hereafter have to pay an additional duty amounting to 33 1/3 per cent. This may be reckoned as a mild triumph for the Tariff Reformers. Against these proposals there is not likely to be much, if any, cavilling. The duty on beer and spirits is "untouched," and it seems to us that for many reasons an increased tax in that direction would have been more acceptable and probably as beneficial to the exchequer than the proposed increases on tea and coffee. The duty on motor spirit has been increased by three pence per gallon and the patent medicine duty has been doubled. It comes as a complete surprise to find that the half-penny postage rate has been abolished, and that increased charges are to be made by the Parcel Post and in Press telegrams. A special tax, as was anticipated, is to be imposed on "profits which have increased during the war." Such a tax will be introduced and extended to all trades and agencies. It is proposed to tax fifty per cent. of the profits above those of last year and it is believed that this will, in a full year, yield no less than £30,000,000 but, owing to various causes, it is only £20,000,000 is expected to be realized this year. Even those chiefly affected will admit that this is a legitimate preserve for the Chancellor, as undoubtedly in many directions

greatly inflated profits have accrued as the result of the war. The Budget seems to be well-named the most "staggering budget in the world's history," and it appears to us as embodying proposals in which taxation will be imposed in a manner that is eminently fair and equitable.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Today is the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival. Customs offices are closed.

The a.s. Hong Kong (late P. and O. a.s. Oriental), the latest acquisition of the Ho Hong S. S. Co., was thrown open to friends on the 14th inst. in the Singapore Roads.

It is stated that the Japanese Navy Department has decided to propose, in the coming Diet, an expenditure of Yen 170,000,000 for the naval supplementary scheme in five years' allotments.

The Marconi Wireless Company, says an Asahi telegram, announces that wireless communication for commercial purposes between Great Britain and Japan via the United States will be shortly opened.

Two Chinese members of the crew of the Tai Yuan have been sent to the Government Civil Hospital suffering with burns to the feet, being scalded when blowing down the boiler, previous to the vessel going into dock.

The President General of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul begs to acknowledge, with thanks, the donation of \$25 (from Mrs. N. J. Stubb) towards the forthcoming Annual St. Francis Fair, in aid of the poor under the charge of the Society.

Two men charged by Inspector Gordon at the Police Court this morning with loitering in a suspicious manner with intent to commit an armed robbery were each sentenced to six months' hard labour and four hours' stock. The men were found by two Chinese detectives loitering at Wong Nei Cheong and armed with daggers and pieces of wire.

The Members of the "Associação Portuguesa de Socorro Mutuo" meet today at their Head Office, the Club Lusitano, to hold their Extraordinary General Meeting, for the purpose of presenting a general statement of the work of the Association since its establishment last June. The total number of members who have joined the Association is 408.

Warrant Officer Bliss presided over a farewell concert at Victoria Barracks last night for the junior N.C.O.s of the 88th Coy., R.G.A. The arrangements were in the hands of Corporals Smith and Stiggs and Bombardier Rice (Hon. Secretary). Messrs. Rediger, Townsend, Davis, Armstrong, Freeman, Pencock, Burgess, Bliss, Collier and others contributed to the musical programme. Master Gunner Rasmussen and Corp. Davis being at the piano. Corp. Stagg proposed the toast, "Our comrades leaving," to which Corp. Elderfield replied, as well as Sergeant Pencock for the Sergeants departing, and Sergeant Major Bliss.

The French Consulate in Tientsin, says the P. and T. Times, has been advised by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at Paris that a certain party, contrary to law, has been trading with German firms in Tientsin and has been arrested by the Paris Police. The search of the premises of this person, named Emile Joss, revealed the existence of a fraudulent organisation by which German goods of an inferior quality were being sold as French. The facts were brought to light by the seizure of German correspondence press for through the French post office in Tientsin and the goods of the firm Joss, and of others, the identity of which has been made known by the French Government, has been stopped.

The Y. C. D. News has a note on the "board manner" in which some Chinese women dress themselves according to what they apparently believe to be the Western style. Recently a buxom Chinese girl of eighteen or nineteen was seen sitting with a quietly dressed woman in a ricksha and arrayed in a hybrid costume which was the last word in ugliness. A cigarette stuck jauntily between her lips, on her sleek head was perched a wondrous caricature of a peaked "service" cap, which, made of sponge-bag chock, looked horribly out of keeping with the handsome girl. A man's long coat ornamented by a handsome brocade waistcoat combined curiously with the rest, for on her shapely feet was a pair of American patent leather shoes with cladded heels. It seems a thousand pities that Chinese women should not realize how extremely well off they are as regards dress. For convenience and suitability nothing we have ever been able to compare with the neat culture and the sensible cuts and trappings of Chinese women, and when they entirely cease to bind their feet no one will have anything to teach them in this connexion.

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THE DAMAGE TO THE "ST. ALBANS."

INQUIRY AT THE MARINE COURT.

An inquiry was held at the Marine Court this morning on the application of Capt. E. Piller, Commander of the Australian steamer "St. Albans," into the cause of the damage sustained by the ship in collision with the Standard Oil Company steam oil boat "Uncas," on September 16th.

Capt. Henry Crump, Master of the a.s. Uncas, and Phillips Hastings Goings, a Camera Terrace, Kowloon, pilot, were the respondents.

The Court was composed as under:—Commander Beckwith, R.N., president; Acting Commander S. Gibson, R.N., H. M. S. Tamar; F. Mooney, Captain a.s. Taisang; P. W. Grierson, Captain a.s. Taisang; O. Lindberg, Captain a.s. Fasten; Mr. H. J. Gedge, of Messrs Johnston, Stokes and Master, represented Messrs Gibbs, Livingston & Co., agents for the St. Albans; Mr. Wilkinson, of Messrs Wilkinson and Co., represented the captain of the "Uncas"; and Mr. Hastings Goings, representing Captain Goings, pilot.

Capt. H. T. Piller said the St. Albans was lying at her buoy on Sept. 16th. The engines were at rest and they had just completed having cargo. At about 5.15 p.m. the steamer Uncas ran into the St. Albans on the port side doing severe damage to the hull.

Mr. Wilkinson explaining the facts said, in the afternoon the a.s. Uncas was lying at her buoy at the wharf. She proceeded westward around the west end of Sonnet Island and seeing a perfectly clear channel she was brought along that channel in the direction of where the St. Albans was lying. There was a very strong land wind blowing at the time and the course that was set the a.s. Uncas would have taken her midway between the St. Albans and the buoys of other ships. As the a.s. Uncas was getting near the St. Albans, a couple of Chinese craft were observed to cross the bows of the Uncas—the Chinese way of crossing vessels. Then the helm of the a.s. Uncas was ported with a view to passing under the stern of the Chinese craft—ported to the extent that she was then pointing towards the buoy of the St. Albans. The Uncas was very near and then what exactly happened, he did not know, nothing went wrong. What should have been done was to have starboarded and if she had continued she would have passed clear of the St. Albans. The Uncas was getting nearer and nearer the St. Albans; her head was still going to starboard and then the Captain jumped to the wheel, succeeded in wrenching the wheel over but he was convinced at that moment that her forward way could not have been stopped. Her engines were put "full speed astern" she must have cut right into the stern of the St. Albans but the Captain, seeing this dashed forward wrenched the wheel over to half starboard and so struck the St. Albans more of a glancing blow. The damage done to the Uncas was severe and that to the St. Albans more severe.

Commander Beckwith of the Uncas said the weather was clear and a fresh strong easterly wind was blowing. The Uncas was going at five knots. On approaching the St. Albans he noticed the relative positions of the vessels and he heard the pilot say "full speed ahead" in full speed astern and full speed ahead. "Witness said he knew the wrong order had been given and he ran into the wheel house and took the wheel. The engines were stopped at 5.15. When he put the wheel "half starboard and ran out he heard the captain say to the Chief Officer to drop the anchor. The pilot was very excited and witness ordered "full speed ahead." The pilot said "No, full astern, you will strike her amidships."

The President: Did you tell the pilot to take your order? Witness: I couldn't get a word in edge ways.

Captain Crump said his order was obeyed and the Uncas picked up from the swing. Then the vessels struck.

Mr. Wilkinson: At the time you saw the St. Albans, did you think a collision inevitable? Witness said it was a difficult question but he thought it was unavoidable. Replying to Mr. Gedge witness said the orders to the engine room and to the helm were answered.

Mr. Gedge: Was there any jamming? The wheel worked freely. It is a steam steering gear, tested every morning.

By Mr. Crump: The a.s. Uncas was almost on the bridge and the quartermaster at the wheel at 5.8 he was half speed and were approaching the O.S. K. and G. N. buoys.

The President: Why weren't you in the proper fairway? Witness: There was no necessity. You mean to say there was no necessity. There is a central fairway for ocean ships and ship under 60 tons can go outside the fairway. Do you still say it is not a necessity?—Yes.

CHRONIC DIARRHOEA.

Are you subject to attacks of diarrhoea? Keep absolutely quiet for four days, eat and drink as little as possible, of your diet and take Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. This medicine has cured cases of chronic diarrhoea that physicians have failed to cure and it will cure you. Take it daily, all Chamberlains and Storekeepers.

SPORTING.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL.

League Matches To Be Played.

The Hongkong Football Association held its annual meeting last evening at the Victoria Barracks, Lieut. McCann presiding over Club matters.

Commander Gibson (H.M.S. Tamar) and Mr. A. T. Hamilton were elected Councilors of the Association, vice Lieut. Commander Baillie-Hamilton, R.N., and Mr. W. H. Vireaux (who has been appointed a Vice President).

A meeting of the Hongkong Football League followed, at which entries were invited for the coming season. The Hongkong Football Club, R.E. Shipshire L.L., R.G.A. Police, and the Navy (the last two provisionally) entered for competition in the First Division, and the Lam Hong, Confucian Society, St. Joseph's College, Strophilites II., Kowloon Dock Juniors, Balcher's Battery, and the Diocesan School entered for the Second Division.

The meeting recommended a reduction in the fee payable to referees from three dollars to one dollar.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Orders by Lieut-Col. A. Chapman, V.D.

KENNEDY BOLD RASHER.

The range is allowed to the Senior Troop, Borden Powell Scouts, every Friday until further notice.

INSPECTION OF TROOP.

Members of the Engineer Company will return their rifles and bayonets to Headquarters between 2.30 inst. and 1st prox. for inspection. These arms must be sent to Headquarters the day next come off duty. They will be ready for re-issue the following day.

DETAILS.

Gun Club Hill, Kowloon.

On duty until morning of 28th inst.—H.K.V.R.

Detachment Camp, Kowloon.

On duty until morning of 28th inst.—H.K.V.R.

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Capt. instead of helmsman, may be worn by guards and picquets between the hours of 5 p.m. and 7 a.m. provided that all the guards are dressed alike.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

PATROLS (CENTRAL).

Friday, September 24th.

3.50 p.m. and 8.50 p.m.—One Sergeant and seven P. Cs. to be detailed by Inspector Wong.

Saturday, September 25th.

3.50 p.m. and 8.50 p.m.—One Sergeant and seven P. Cs. to be detailed by Inspector Wong.

PATROLS (EASTERN).

Friday, September 24th.

3.50 p.m.—P. C. Hassan and Moodeen.

8.50 p.m.—P. C. O. Arulli and Hassan.

Friday, September 25th.

3.50 p.m.—Wilks (S) Gaskell (S) Henderson (P).

8.50 p.m.—Kim (S) Maxwell (S) Inspector D'Almeida (P).

Saturday, September 25th.

3.50 p.m.—J. Yvanovich (S) V. Yvanovich (S).

8.50 p.m.—Mohr (S) Doss (S) Jumanan Khan (S).

PATROL SUBSTITUTES.

Men warned for police reminded that they must provide substitutes when unable to report for duty. Substitutes may be arranged from any Company.

PARADES.

Friday, September 24th.—Route March.

Fall in at Water Police Station 9.20 p.m. Uniform, Caps, and Rifles. This parade will be regarded as cancelled in the event of steady rain falling at 8.45 p.m.

OCURRENCES.

Members are reminded that a record is being kept of all cases, occurrences, etc., in which the Police Reserve are engaged, and that they must report same in writing to the D. S. P.'s Office.

CONTRACTS AND REWARD.

The Second Promenade Concert will take place in the Botanical Gardens on Saturday next, at 9 p.m. Members of the Police Reserve will attend in uniform.

(Sgd.) F. C. JENKIN, D. S. P. (Reserve).

Well, you can take it from me that it is a necessity. They are therefore for the purpose.

Witness said there was a perfectly clear way, there was nothing in the way.

Commander Beckwith: It is no use you arguing on the lines: you have already said you did not take the central fairway.

Commander Gibson: If there was a clear way why did you slow down?

Witness: Because there was craft by the St. Albans and I allow them to cross.

Capt. Goings will be heard the Uncas a little and "full speed ahead" and to contract the speed he put her "full speed astern." The Uncas was winging to starboard and he gave "full ahead" and "half starboard." The wheel would go to starboard and he thought there was some obstruction. The Captain knew what he was doing and was not to the engineers that they had turned off steam. He put the wheel over several times and eventually was stopped "hard starboard."

The Uncas making then for the funnel of the St. Albans. He stopped the engine; the Uncas was about two cables from the St. Albans and going at about three knots.

Asked why this anchor was not dropped witness said the order was given by the Captain but not obeyed. Witness gave the order "full speed astern" and the captain said "no! full speed ahead." After that witness gave no more orders.

Mr. Crump: If when you ported the helm to avoid the junk the helm had responded again would there have been any difficulty in passing the St. Albans?

Witness answered he would have passed easily.

Commander Beckwith: To what do you attribute the collision?

Capt. Goings: To the jamming of the steering gear primarily.

Didn't you fall anybody?—The captain knew it because he asked about the steering gear.

Answering Mr. Gedge, Capt. Goings said the wheel was jerky; he thought there was water in the pipe.

Case proceeding.

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE PROGRESS OF THE WAR.

BULGARIA ORDERS A GENERAL MOBILISATION.

THE ATTITUDE OF HOLLAND.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.

FULL DETAILS OF THE BRITISH BUDGET.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BULGARIA MOBILISING.

London, Sept. 22.
Reuter learns that the Bulgarian Minister in London has received news that a general mobilisation has been ordered in Bulgaria.

HOLLAND'S ATTITUDE.

SPEECH BY QUEEN WILHELMINA.

London, Sept. 22.

A Hague telegram states that Queen Wilhelmina, in a speech from the Throne at the opening of Parliament, emphasised the determination of Holland to maintain her integrity and strictly observe neutrality. Her relations with foreign Powers continued to be friendly. Naval and military forces were ready to protect the national interests in the event of extraordinary intervention. The Government found it was still necessary in connection with the importation of provisions and raw material, and to check the rise in prices, to prevent the export of foodstuffs and raw materials which cannot be spared. Proposals for the revision of the constitution have already been announced and will soon be submitted. Fresh taxation will be necessary to meet the deficit and fresh expenditure. The economic situation in the Indies causes no anxiety. Pending the introduction of a Navy Bill obsolescent material will be gradually replaced, first consideration being given to the defence of the Indies. Her Majesty looks to the future in full hope, relying on the energy of the people to bear courageously the heavy burdens which are inevitable in consequence of the distressing situation.

The Budget, which was subsequently presented, forecasts the creation of a fund to provide a large number of guns and ammunition in view of the great role of heavy artillery in this war. The extension of the air service estimate shows a deficit of 22,227,000 guilders.

The Amsterdam Telegraph says the most striking feature of the speech from the Throne is the absence of allusion to any attempts of the Dutch Government to promote peace.

GREAT BRITAIN'S SECOND WAR BUDGET.

THE MOST STAGGERING AND HUGE IN THE WORLD'S HISTORY.

London, Sept. 21.
The Rt. Hon. R. McKenna, Chancellor of the Exchequer, introduced in the House of Commons today the second War Budget of the financial year.

He must ask the House, he said, to sanction great and unprecedented burdens, and he was confident that if the House assented to the taxes the country would follow suit.

The figures for the financial year, as now revised, were:—

Revenue 272 millions.
Expenditure 1,550
Increase over Estimate 237

The deadweight of debt at the close of the financial year would be 2,200 millions of pounds sterling.

ENORMOUS COST OF ARMY AND NAVY.

We had to contemplate a Navy costing 190 millions, an Army costing 715 millions and external advances amounting to 423 millions.

THE NEW PROPOSALS.

The Chancellor proposed the increase of the Income Tax by 40 per cent. and that the exemption limit should be reduced to £130 per annum. He proposed an arrangement for payment by instalments, the assessment and collection for employees of all descriptions to be quarterly. These changes would produce in the present year a revenue of £11,274,000 and for a full year £37,400,000.

The Supertax would be increased upon incomes of £8,000 and upwards to 3/8 in the £. This would produce £2,150,000 this year.

The Special Tax on profits which had been increased during the year would be introduced and extended to all trades and agencies. Fifty per cent. of the profits above last year's figures would be taxed. This would yield £10,000,000 in a full year, but owing to various causes, only £6,000,000 this year.

The Sugar duty the Chancellor proposed to increase by 4d. per lb. which would produce £11,700,000 in a full year; and the duties on Tea, Tobacco, Cocoa, Coffee and Chicory to be increased by 50 per cent.

Beer and Spirits were left untouched.

The Chancellor proposed that the duty on motor spirit should be increased by 8d. a gallon, and that on patent medicines doubled.

Imported luxuries, like motor cars, films, clocks, watches, and musical instruments to pay an additional duty of 33 1/3 per cent.

Half-penny Postage will be abolished and Press telegrams will be charged more.

DEBTS TREBLED; TAXES DOUBLED.

The estimated revenue for the year was 205 millions, and for 1916-17 the estimated revenue was 397 millions. We had trebled our debt and doubled our taxes. If the war continued these proposals would not be our last word. Our great resource was the willingness of the people to bear their share.

UNPRECEDENTED TAXATION.

Mr. McKenna said that the Budget would not cripple our resources, despite the fact that there is no report of a nation voluntarily accepting burdens bearing so high a proportion of the total national income.

EXTRA TO THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1915.

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE WAR.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

EFFECT OF BALKAN CRISIS IN GREECE.

LONDON, Sept. 22.
Reuter's correspondent at Athens states that the Balkan crisis is causing considerable emotion in Greece. The King of Greece conferred simultaneously with M. Venizelos and some other members of the General Staff. Venizelos subsequently called a meeting of the Cabinet. There is also great activity in Entente Diplomatic circles. The British, French, and Russian Ministers simultaneously conferred with M. Venizelos yesterday evening.

LATER.
The Bulgarian Minister says mobilisation means that Bulgaria will maintain armed neutrality.

A message from Amsterdam says a Berlin telegram states that the Bulgarian Embassy announces that all Bulgarians must immediately leave for Bulgaria via Vienna and Rumania.

AN INVITATION TO THE DOMINION PREMIERS.

LONDON, Sept. 22.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law, Secretary of State for the Colonies, said that he was continually communicating with Dominion Governments on war matters. If the Premiers of the Dominions were able to visit Great Britain as Sir Robert Borden had done, the Government would warmly welcome the opportunity of similar discussions with them.

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SHORTAGE OF WATER.

New Portraits of Their Majesties.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held to-day H. E. the Governor, Sir Henry May, K.C.M.G., presiding. There were also present:

H. E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Major-General F. VENTRES.
The Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr. CLAUD SEVERN.
Attorney-General, Hon. Mr. J. H. KEMP.
Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Hon. Mr. S. B. C. ROSS.
The Colonial Treasurer, Hon. Mr. A. M. THOMSON.
Director of Public Works, Hon. Mr. W. CHATHAM, C.M.G.
Capt. Supt. of Police, Hon. Mr. C. MEL. MESENER.
Hon. Mr. WEI YUK, C.M.G.
Hon. Mr. DAVID LANDALL.
Hon. Mr. LAU CHU PAK.
Mr. A. G. M. FLETCHER (Clerk of Councils.)

PROSPECTS OF A WATER FAMINE.

The Governor referring to the proposal to vote the sum of \$17,000 for the construction of catchwaters said there was sufficient water in the reservoirs to maintain a full supply only up to the middle of January and if they were to adopt the curtailment which could be effected by the rider main system they might maintain it until the middle of February. The season was a very abnormal one owing to the early north-east monsoon and as there was little probability of a large rainfall before the dry season it was desirable to take immediate steps to further economise their supply lest they should be faced with a water famine in the spring. He had decided to adopt the system of distribution of water from street fountains which would enable the supply they had at present, if it was not very materially augmented, to last only until the middle of May. He knew it would be some hardship on the poorer classes in carrying water to their homes but it was better for them to do so than hereafter to suffer much more severely from a water famine and the greater inconvenience that would result therefrom. The money proposed to be expended was for the purpose of leading water by means of two catchwaters from streams which they could tap into the already formed basin behind the Ty Tam Tuk reservoir. By these means they would obtain 14 or 15 million gallons which would be most acceptable.

SECOND READING OF NEW BILLS.

The Attorney General moved the second reading of new Bills—the Evidence Amendment Bill and the Land Registration

(Amendment) Bill. Details of the new proposals have already appeared in the "China Mail."

One of the features of the first proposal, said the Attorney-General, would be to secure a deposition from a person who may be seriously injured and whom a medical practitioner would be unable to say whether he would recover.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was considered clause by clause and read a third time.

Regarding the Land Registration (amendment) Bill the Attorney-General said a memorial of registration must in the case of a judgment have the signature of the plaintiff and as an unsuccessful plaintiff was not very favourably disposed towards the defendant it frequently happened that defendant had difficulty in securing the signature of the plaintiff and the Bill provided that the memorial should contain the amount recovered or secured.

The Bill was read a second time agreed to clause by clause, and read a third time.

FINANCES.

The following recommendations by the Governor were referred to the Finance Committee for approval:—\$14,000 in aid of telegraph services and telegrams sent and received by Government; \$7,750 in aid of the new Magistracy; \$245,000 in aid of the extension of the Central Police Station; and \$17,000 in aid of the construction of catchwaters; \$4500 in aid of meters, Public Works Department; \$186,141 in aid of the construction of the British section of the railway.

The Colonial Secretary said the telegrams expenditure did not include the expenses of a couple of days ago when one telegram cost \$700.

The amount required on account of meters was in view of the erection of a considerable number of new houses erected in the western part of the City. The work was recurrent.

Respecting the vote for the New Magistracy the Colonial Secretary said the revised estimate was \$111,000. Last year the sum of \$96,072 was expended which would of course leave nearly \$15,000 to be paid on the original estimate but \$12,000 was provided in this year's estimate which meant a supplementary vote on account of \$3,715. Since the building had been brought into use it had shown that certain additional expenditure was required. New dock arrangements were contemplated involving \$500 and \$950 would be spent on smaller alterations.

All the votes were approved.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS REPORT.

A report by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports for the year 1914 was laid upon the table.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE NUNEATON MINING DISASTER.

LONDON, Sept. 22.
Fourteen perished at Nuneaton.

AFTERNOON SHARE PRICES.

Messrs Vernon and Smyth report the following afternoon fluctuations:—

S'hai Cottons	.....	\$103	sellers
China Sugars	.....	132	buyers
Luzons	.....	40	buyers
Douglases	.....	80	sellers
Indo China	.....	153	sellers
Electrics	.....	45	sales
Ropes	.....	31	buyers
Cements	.....	9.80	buyers

THE MOTOR CAR FATALITY.

The inquiry into the motor car fatality near the Belle Vue Hotel on September 10th was continued at the Magistracy this afternoon, and adjourned sine die after Mr Lauritsen, and Mr Swift, of the Vacuum Oil Company, had given evidence as to the speed of the car.

UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

Prizes of \$100 each have been awarded to the following successful candidates at the recent Matriculation Examination:—Cheah Teon Siew, Phoon Sack Weng, Chan Chun Him, Sin Ping Fun (alias, Sin Cheuk Man) and Lo Man Hin.
A. C. FRANKLIN,
Registrar.

THE DAMAGE TO THE "ST. ALBANS."

(Continued from page 4.)

Captain Going said the wind was fresh to strong. He went the way he did because it was a straight course and perfectly clear. He could have gone down the central fairway.

The President.—Much more safely? Captain Crump said he left the ship in the pilot's hands because he had perfect confidence.

Mr. Halsterson, chief officer of the Uncas, said he had held a master's certificate since 1834. After they had passed the junk, they were about 360 ft from the St. Albans swinging to starboard and going ahead at four to five knots. She stopped swinging, went ahead, and struck the St. Albans. At that time she was too close to avoid a collision.

Mr H. J. Gedge.—You put this collision down to porting to avoid the junk?—When I saw it swinging to starboard I knew there would be a collision.

If you hadn't ported you wouldn't have collided with the St. Albans?—We might have done with the junk.

Mr A. E. Ryall, Chief Engineer of the Uncas, said the steering gear was running splendidly.

Mr Wilkinson said it was the master's duty not to interfere with the pilot except under certain special circumstances.

Mr Gedge said on behalf of the owners of the St. Albans that the chief cause of the collision from what they had heard was the master of the Uncas going into the wrong channel. It was his duty to have pointed out the right channel to the pilot. There was ample room in the central fairway. The next cause was the porting to avoid the two junks.

Mr Crow said that on the facts there was a grave divergence as to what happened just before the collision. They could only say on the evidence that there was some temporary hitch. The pilot was a man of many years' experience. What really happened was that the steering gear, he thought, went temporarily wrong.

The finding will be announced at noon to-morrow.

THEIR MAJESTIES' PORTRAITS.

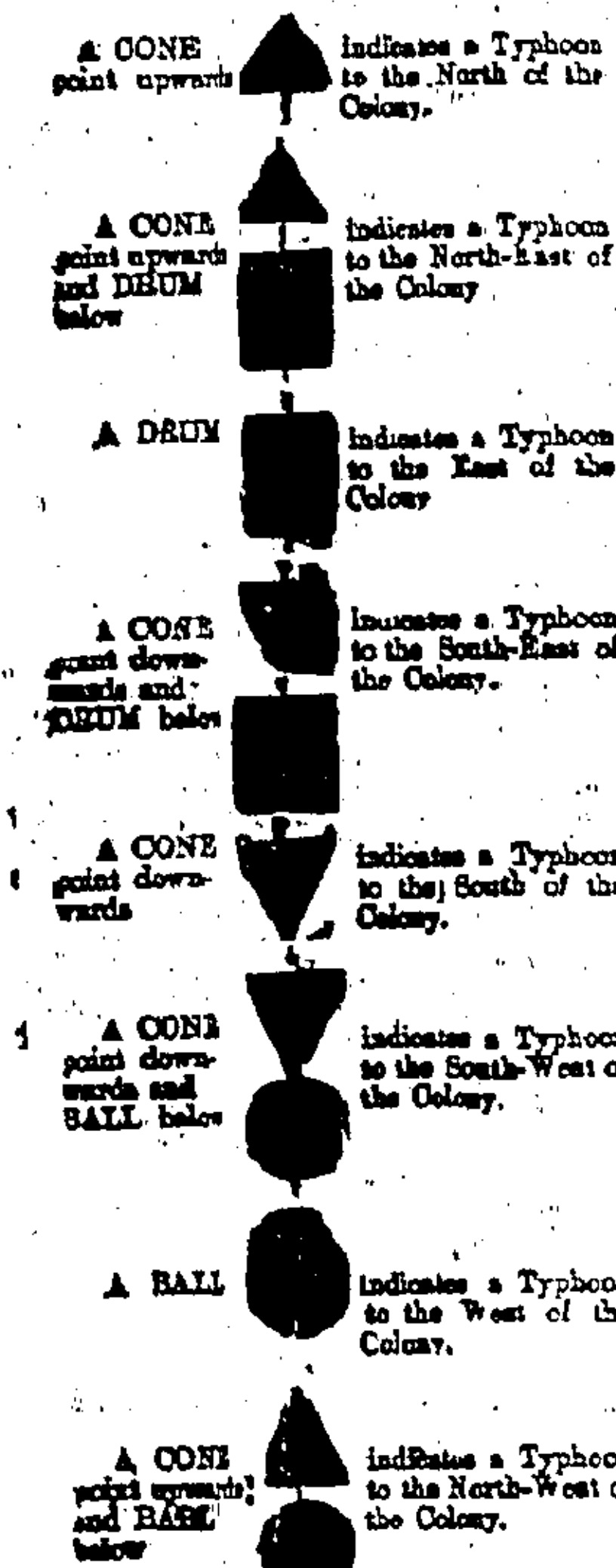
At the conclusion of the meeting the Governor announced that he had had the honour of receiving from their most gracious Majesties portraits of the King and Queen. They were of course given to the Colony but as was usual such gifts should have a resting place in Government House. The portraits were not yet hung but were in the dining room and during the coming week, exclusive of this afternoon, any member of the community who desired to see those portraits could do so.

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TYPHOON SIGNALS.

STORM-WARNINGS ISSUED FROM THE HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.

The following Typhoon signals and signals on the Macthead on Signal Hill, Kowloon, the Harbour Office, the Kowloon Government, H. M. S. Tamar, Green Island, Standard, On Promises Lighthouse and F.O. Quarters, Lyemou.



Red Signal indicates that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signal indicates that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony as to shipping leaving the harbour.

TYPHOON SIGNALS.

In addition to the above, when it is expected that the wind may increase to full typhoon force at any moment, the following Typhoon Signals will be made of the Water Police Station, and repeated at the Harbour Office:—

SHARP BELLWORKS BOMBS AT INTERVALS OF TEN SECONDS.

A Black Cone will be hoisted at the same time, prior to the other shapes.

TYRANT SIGNALS.

The following Night Signals will be hoisted from the Flagstaff on the roof of the Water Police Station at Kowloon, the Harbour Office Flagstaff, and H.M.S. Tamar.

I. Three Lights Vertical, Green, Green, Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated more than 300 miles from the Colony.

II. Three Lights Vertical, Green, Red, Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated less than 300 miles from the Colony.

III. Three Lights Vertical, Red, Green, Red, indicates that the wind may be expected to increase to full typhoon force at any moment.

Re. III Signal will be accompanied by the Explosive Bombs, as above, in the event of the information conveyed by this signal being first published by night.

The Night Signals will be substituted for the Day Signals at sunset, and will, when necessary, be hoisted during the night.

SUPPLEMENTARY WARNING.

For the benefit of Native Craft and passing Ocean Vessels, a Cone will be exhibited at each of the following stations during the time that any of the above Day Signals are hoisted in the Harbour:—

Gap Boat, Aberdeen, Wagon, San Ki Wan, Stanley, Mei Kung, Cape Gloucester, She Tin Kok.

Tide.

This will indicate that there is a depression somewhere in the China Sea, and that a Storm Warning is hoisted in the Harbour.

Further details can always be given to Ocean Vessels on demand by signal from the lighthouse.

U. W. JEFFRIES, Director.

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NO. 1 DOCK KOWLOON	700	100	10	12	7	2
NO. 2 DOCK KOWLOON	271	100	10	12	7	2
NO. 3 DOCK KOWLOON	271	100	10	12	7	2
TAI-KO-KU-SUI	180	100	10	12	7	2
COMMERCIAL DOCK	180	100	10	12	7	2
ARKERDEN	400	100	10	12	7	2
HOPE DOCK	400	100	10	12	7	2
LANCET DOCK	400	100	10	12	7	2

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STEAMERS EXPECTED.

Marila.
The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Marila left Singapore for this port on the 23rd September, a.m., with the outward English Mail, and is due here on the 24th September, at about noon.

Other Vessels.
The French s.s. Phryx left Saigon on the 20th September for this port, and is expected to arrive here on or about the 24th September.
The Royal Mail S. P. Co.'s s.s. Carnarvon left London on the 11th August, due here on the 29th Sept.
The s.s. Madras left Calcutta on the 16th September, a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 1st October.

Latest Arrivals.
The E. & A. S. s.s. Empress from Australia left Manila for this port on the 23rd September, at 1 a.m., and may be expected to arrive here on Saturday, the 25th September, at daylight.
The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Montague left Yokohama at 2 p.m. on the 21st Sept.
The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Mongolia will leave Manila on Monday, the 27th September, and is due to arrive at the port on Wednesday morning, the 29th September.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY.
HONGKONG DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

SEPTEMBER 23, 1915.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Wind					
		Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Force.	Weather.
Vicivoc	7.30	30.01	81	81	1	0	—
Nemuro	6.30	30.01	81	81	1	0	—
Hakodate	7.30	30.01	81	81	1	0	—
Otoki	7.30	30.02	81	81	1	0	—
Kochi	7.30	30.01	81	81	SW	1	0
Nagasaki	7.30	30.01	81	81	NNE	1	0
Cagayama	7.30	30.01	81	81	SE	1	0
Kobe	7.30	30.01	81	81	SW	1	0
Saha	7.30	30.01	81	81	1	0	—
Shijima	7.30	30.01	81	81	1	0	—
Southern Island	7.30	30.01	81	81	1	0	—
Chimo	7.30	30.01	81	81	1	0	—
Wakaiwaki	7.30	30.00	83	73	1	0	—
Amoy	7.30	30.01	81	81	1	0	—
Chang	7.30	30.01	81	81	1	0	—
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